

29 January 1954

## MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL ROBERT CUTLER

SUBJECT: Chinese Nationalist Troop Strength

1. Herewith the best current figures for Chinese Nationalist forces on Formosa and the offshore Islands. As you will see, they differ from those given Thursday at NSC. As luck would have it, some newer and firmer figures were received from Cinc Pac on Thursday afternoon.

## 2. Chinese Nationalist Troop Strengths

<u>Place</u>	<u>As Given by DCI</u>	<u>According to New Information</u>			
		<u>Combat</u> <u>Regulars</u>	<u>Guer-</u> <u>rilla</u>	<u>Reserves</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Formosa	265,000	225,000		45,000	270,000
Pescadores	20,000	25,000			25,000
Chinmen Area	45,000	47,000	9,000		56,000
Matsu Area	5,000	6,000	4,000		10,000
Tachen Area	15,000	10,000	5,200		15,200
	350,000	313,000	18,200	45,000	376,200

The reserves have had a minimum of four months' training. These figures do not include an estimated 10,000 - 12,000 combat fit troops to be recruited from among the 14,400 POW's repatriated to Taiwan from Korea.

s/  
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**CHINESE NATIONALIST FORCES**

	<b>ARMY</b>	<b>AIR</b>	<b>NAVY</b>
<b>PERSONNEL</b>	450,000 (350,000 combat troops & 100,000 service & overhead personnel)	68,000	36,600 (plus 11,000 Marines)
<b>COMBAT ORGANIZATION</b>	12 Armies 28 Inf. Div. 11 Art. Regts. 1 Airborne Gp. 3 Coastal Cnds. 7 Coast Art. Regts. 7 Officer Combat Regts. 1 Armored Brig.	1 Medium Bomber Gp. 1 Light Bomber Gp. 4 Fighter Gps. 2 Transport Gps. 1 Reconnaissance Sq.	
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	200 Medium Tanks (M-18) 300 Light Tanks (M-5) 200 S-P Guns	43 Medium Bombers 18 B-24 25 P-4Y 17 Light Bombers (B-25) 300 Fighters 75 F-84 Jets 225 F-47 & F-51 125 Transports (C-46) 220 Recon. & Trainers	1 Destroyer 34 Patrol Vessels 13 Mine Vessels 100 Minor Vessels
	<b>US AID TO ARMED FORCES</b>  FY 1951 through FY 1953 -----\$383,000,000  FY 1954 -----\$300,000,000		